

December 7, 2004

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council

FROM: Mayor Keno Hawker, Mesa, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Meeting - 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, December 15, 2004  
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room  
302 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix

Dinner - 6:30 p.m.  
MAG Office, Suite 200

The next Regional Council meeting will be held at the MAG offices at the time and place noted above. Members of the Regional Council may attend either in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. Members who wish to remove any items from the Consent Agenda are requested to contact the MAG office. MAG will host a dinner/reception for the Regional Council members following the meeting in the MAG Cholla Room on the 2nd floor. Supporting information is enclosed for your review.

Please park in the garage under the Compass Bank Building. Parking places will be reserved for Regional Council members on the first and second levels of the garage. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

Pursuant to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), MAG does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admissions to or participation in its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Valerie Day at the MAG office. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

If you have any questions, please call the MAG office.

**MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL  
TENTATIVE AGENDA  
December 15, 2004**

	<b><u>COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED</u></b>
1. <u>Call to Order</u>	
2. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	
3. <u>Call to the Audience</u>  An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Regional Council on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Regional Council requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard.	3. Information.
4. <u>Executive Director's Report</u>  The MAG Executive Director will provide a report to the Regional Council on activities of general interest.	4. Information and discussion.
5. <u>Approval of Consent Agenda</u>  Council members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to comment on consent items. Consent items are marked with an asterisk.	5. Approve the Consent Agenda.

**ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT\***

**MINUTES**

*5A. <u>Approval of the September 29, 2004 Meeting Minutes</u>	5A. Review and approve the September 29, 2004 meeting minutes.
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**AIR QUALITY ITEMS**

\*5B. Approval of Prioritized List of Proposed PM-10 Certified Street Sweeper Projects for FY 2005 CMAQ Funding

The FY 2005 Unified Planning Work Program and FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program contain \$1,920,000 in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding for the purchase of PM-10 certified street sweepers. PM-10 certified street sweeper projects were solicited from member agencies in the Maricopa County PM-10 nonattainment area and 24 applications requesting \$3.97 million in federal funds were received. The MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee and the MAG Management Committee recommended funding of the prioritized list of proposed PM-10 certified street sweeper projects for FY 2005 CMAQ funding. Please refer to the enclosed material.

\*5C. Consultation on Proposed Transportation Conformity Processes for the 2005 MAG Conformity Analysis for the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP and Regional Transportation Plan

Federal and state conformity regulations require that MAG consult with federal, state, and local air quality and transportation agencies on proposed processes for the conformity analysis on the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Regional Transportation Plan. MAG distributed for comment the proposed processes to be applied in the conformity analysis for the FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and the Regional Transportation Plan for Eight-Hour Ozone. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5B. Approve a prioritized list of proposed PM-10 certified street sweeper projects for FY 2005 CMAQ funding and retain the prioritized list for any additional FY 2005 CMAQ funds that may become available due to year-end closeout, including any redistributed obligation authority, or additional funding received by this region.

5C. Consultation.

**GENERAL ITEMS**

\*5D. Consolidation of the Youth Policy Advisory Committee into the Human Services Coordinating Committee

In February 1994, a Youth Policy Advisory Committee was formed to address issues of

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juvenile crime regionally. The focus of the committee was broadened to address youth in general. After successful development of graffiti and curfew ordinances that were adopted regionally, the Committee has been inactive for several years. After discussion at the October 2004 Human Services Coordinating Committee and discussion with the chair of the Youth Policy Advisory Committee, it was recommended that in order to reassess regional youth issues, the Human Services Coordinating Committee would accept the role and responsibility for regional youth-related policies as part of its ongoing human services coordinating function. The Management Committee recommended approval of the consolidation. Please refer to the enclosed material.

\*5E. Approval of the Draft July 1, 2004 Maricopa County and Municipality Resident Population Updates

MAG staff has prepared draft July 1, 2004 Maricopa County and Municipality Resident Population Updates. The Updates, which are used to allocate \$23 million in lottery funds to local jurisdictions for budgeting and to set expenditure limitations, were prepared using Census 2000 data as the base and housing unit data supplied and verified by MAG member agencies. Because of anticipated changes to the State and County control totals by DES, the MAG POPTAC and MAG Management Committee recommended approval of these Updates provided that the County control total was within one percent of the final control total. Subsequently, DES approved a new control total that was within one percent of 3.5 million and the updates have been adjusted to the new control total. Please refer to the enclosed material.

\*5F. Preparations for Conducting the 2005 Census Survey

At the September Regional Council meeting, staff discussed preparations for the upcoming 2005 Census Survey. Since that time, a 2005 Census Survey Oversight Subcommittee was established. A list of subcommittee members and dates of

5E. Approve the draft July 1, 2004 Maricopa County and Municipality Resident Population Updates.

5F. Information.

meetings are enclosed. In addition, a brief summary of the October Census Workshop and an update on office space are also provided. Please refer to the enclosed material.

\*5G. MAG Community Emergency Notification System (CENS) Awareness Day

January 1, 2005 marks the one-year anniversary of the MAG Community Emergency Notification System (CENS). CENS is the region's emergency notification system that will rapidly notify by telephone those living or working near the scene of an emergency and provide them with information and any required emergency instructions. In an effort to continue public education on the CENS program, the Regional Council is requested to declare January 5, 2005 as CENS Awareness Day and also as a yearly event. The Management Committee recommended the declaration of CENS Awareness Day. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5G. Declare January 5, 2005 as CENS Awareness Day and that CENS Awareness Day be a yearly event.

### ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD

#### TRANSPORTATION ITEMS

6. FY 2005 MAG Early Phase Public Input Opportunity

The MAG Early Phase Public Input Opportunity was conducted from August through October 2004. These events, meetings, and presentations were held in cooperation with the Arizona Department of Transportation, Valley Metro/Regional Public Transportation Authority and Valley Metro Rail. A report will be provided on the input opportunities. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. Information and discussion.

7. Transportation Policy Committee Recommendations for Business Representatives

With the passage of Proposition 400, a new state law is in effect regarding the appointment of the business members on the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC). According to state law, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the

7. Forward the recommendation of the Transportation Policy Committee for the business representatives on the TPC to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House for consideration.

House of Representatives are authorized to appoint six business members who represent regionwide business interests. The law also provides that the Chair of the Regional Planning Agency may submit names to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives for consideration. On November 3, 2004, a memorandum was sent to Regional Council members requesting names for the business representatives. At its November meeting, the TPC discussed the names received and recommended five current TPC business members, and Mr. David C. Scholl to fill the vacancies. Please refer to the enclosed material.

### GENERAL ITEMS

8. Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Program

The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) program is a refundable tax credit that could result in extra money in the hands of eligible taxpayers. The encouragement of residents to apply and receive EITC could increase the resources and dollars coming into local communities and businesses. An update on potential benefits of this tax credit will be provided. Please refer to the enclosed material.

9. Employee Recognition

Each year, MAG recognizes the years of service for the employees as certain milestones are reached. These employees will be recognized at the Regional Council meeting and awarded their years of service.

10. Comments from the Council

An opportunity will be provided for Regional Council members to present a brief summary of current events. The Regional Council is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

8. Information and discussion.

9. Recognition of the years of service for MAG employees.

10. Information.